



Saguaro National Park News Release

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Saguaro National Park, Tucson Mountain District Offers Wilderness Exploration Camp Over Winter Break

Saguaro National Park's Tucson Mountain District (west) will offer a three-day Wilderness Camp for young people 10 to 14 years old. The dates for the camp are Thursday, Friday, and Saturday February 20-22, 2014.

Participants will develop a personal relationship with the desert by exploring the wilds of the park and experience the wonders of nature as they are guided by experienced and enthusiastic staff. We will wander through the hidden washes while searching for animals and their signs, learn how to pitch a tent or string up a tarp for shelter, use lightweight stoves to cook up hot chocolate and soup, and understand how to explore the outdoors safely. The signature events are watching twilight fall across the landscape, exploring the desert after dark, and listening to the sounds of the night while sitting around the campfire. Check out our excitingly fabulous, three-day Wilderness Exploration Camp at Saguaro National Park West.

Camp hours are 10:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, and 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, ending with a night hike, campfire, and the end of camp celebration. If you need flexibility in drop off/pickup times, please let us know.

For more information or questions, please contact Ranger Chip Littlefield at 733-5157, or email chip_littlefield@nps.gov. The camp fee of \$40.00 per child covers all three days. Space is limited and reservations are required. Financial aid scholarships may be available. Camp fees and registration paperwork must be received by Friday, February 14. Don't wait, spaces are going fast!

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